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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

In the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, the Examiner has stated that "[t]he instant invention is drawn to cyclic peptide of the formula,  $R^1$ -Cys-Z-Cys- $R^2$ , where Z is n = 2-20 amino acids, and  $R^1$  is Glu-Thr and  $R^2$  is Thr-Lys". (See Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance). However, contrary to the contention of the Examiner, the claims do not recite that "Z is n = 2-20 amino acids." Rather, independent claim 1 recites that "Z is a chain of n amino acid residues with n being an integer from 4 to 20". Applicants respectfully point this out for the sake of accuracy on the record.

As this submission is being submitted concurrently with payment of the issue fee, it is timely submitted. No fees are deemed due with regard to this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this submission, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

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Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this submission, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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